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adapt_900

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Abstract

This task adaptively smooths background subtracted and exposure corrected images.

1 Instruments/Modes

	Instrument	Mode	
EPIC		Imaging	

2 Use

pipeline processing	no	
interactive analysis	yes	

3 Description

adapt_900 adaptively smooths background subtracted and exposure corrected images. For each unmasked pixel, the program will average neighboring pixels within a circle of increasing radius until a selected number of counts is reached. The original pixel is then given the average surface brightness for the pixels within the circle. Binning by 2 or 4 can also be selected.

Warning and requirements: adapt_900 is part of the esas package integrated into SAS, but is limited to work within esas data reduction scheme. This is specially true wrt the structure and names of the input files. In particular, adapt_900 assumes that other tasks from the package, like mos-spectra, mos-back, and if desired comb must have been successfully run for the exposures to be used.

4 Parameters

This section documents the parameters recognized by this task (if any).

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Parameter	Mand	Type	Default	Constraints



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smoothingcounts	yes	int	50	

The number of counts to accumulate for the smoothing

thresholdmasking	yes	real	0.02	

The scale factor for excluding regions from the smoothing based on a mask image. In the default mode the average exposure is calculated and then any pixel with exposure less than fraction*average value is excluded.

detector	yes	int	0		0—1	
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Detector, 1 for a specific instrument and exposure, 0 for the combined image (i.e., the output of comb).

elow	yes	int	400	
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The low energy for the band in eV

ehigh	yes	int	1250	

The high energy for the band in eV

binning	yes	int	1	

Binning control with 1 for no binning, 2 for binning by 2, and 4 for binning by, you guessed it, 4.

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Particle background control, "yes" to subtract the model particle background image.

withsoftcontrol	yes	bool	no	
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Soft proton background control, "yes" to subtract the soft proton background image.

withswcxcontrol	yes	bool	no	

Solar wind charge exchange background control, "yes" to subtract the SWCX background image.

maskfile	ves	dataset	

The file name for an image to provide additional masking if desired. If left blank then there will be no additional masking. The mask images must be the same size and projection as the other images.

prefix	yes	string	1S001	

Prefix defining the exposure used, with the esas nomenclature, eg. S003 means PN S003 exposure, while 1S002 and 2S003 mean MOS1 S002 and MOS2 S003 exposures, respectively.

5 Input Files

The exposure images, products from running mos_spectra, mos-back, or pn_spectra, pn-back, and, eventually comb, following the particular nomenclature used in the esas package, eg.: mos1S002-obj-im-350-800.fits for a MOS1 image in that spectral range, or comb-obj-im-350-800.fits if the output from comb is to be used.

6 Output Files

• adapt-elow-ehigh.fits – The smoothed image for the selected energy band (elow and ehigh) of the selected region in sky coordinates.

• radial-filt-elow-ehigh.qdp - A QDP plot file of the radial profile of the data for the selected energy band (elow and ehigh) of the selected region.

7 Algorithm

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8 Comments

References